HIGH SCHOOL CHATTER

(Continued from Front Page)

We must realize that every time a classmate gives up the ghost, that old hell-tells-for-us, too, diminishes our welfare, our country's and the chances of keeping the kind of world we want. If we are concerned about this, we will find ways to do our part. It's a slow, patient process, but working together we can and must bring education records up to a point we can all be proud of.

—Jo Anne Catlett,
English 10, A. H. S

Pamplin

Pamplin, Feb. 11.- The Rev. and Mrs. J. Parks Hackney spent several days last week in North Carolina visiting friends and relatives.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Terry were Mr. and Mrs. E. D. McClure, of Glasgow; Mrs. R. H. Wilson, of Hutsonville, and Mrs. Joseph Terry and son, of Cumberland; Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Robinson and family, of Phenix; H. T. Terry, Jr., of Hopewell, and Geo. Ashbit Terry, of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sears, of Charlotte C. H. were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McDearmon.

The Ladies of the Aid Society of Rhoe Baptist Church served dinner to the Buritan Club on Friday evening, February 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Farrar have returned from a trip to Florida.

Miss Alice Franklin spent the weekend with her brother, Dr. J. H. Franklin, of Richmond.

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Rail unions reject arbitration plan.

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Trinity Road

Trinity Road, Feb. 15.- Rev. Twyman Williams will fill his regular appointment at Stonewall Presbyterian Church at 11 A. M. Sunday.

Rev. G. E. Hughes wil preach Sunday at 3 P. M. at Hebron Baptist church. Mr. LaFayette Drinkard, of near Lynchburg, soloist, will sing, accompanied by Mrs. C. R. Carson, of Concord.

The Hazel Moon Royal Ambassador Chapter of Hebron Church, met Sunday P. M. with Mrs. Clayton Drinkard and son, Wade. There were 9 members present. Calvin Tanner, Ambassador in chief, called the meeting to order. Wade Drinkard was the program leader. The topic was "Boys Wanted." All present served on the program.

After the meeting refreshments were served, with the Valentine suggestion.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kraus and Mrs. S. E. Anderson were in Lynchburg Tuesday. Mrs. Anderson stayed over for several days' visit with her daughter, Mrs. John D. Ripley.

Mrs. Ada Thompson left Tuesday for her home in Richmond, after a visit of ten days with her daughter, Mrs. Marshall Stratton, and family.

Mrs. S. E. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kraus, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin P. Alvis were Monday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Taylor and Mrs. Lula Taylor, at a rook party.

Friends were glad o welcome O. R. Turnes back to Sunday School and Sunday service after a recent operation and illness.

Mr. R. C. Wright is visiting his sister, Mrs. Sanford Rider and Mr. Rider in Danville this week.

Bad Weather Sends Pair Of Escapees Back to Gaol

PRINCE FREDERICK, MD. —Two prisoners escaped from the Calvert county jail by pounding a hole through the wall with an axe.

But the alarm hardly had been spread before they crawled back in again.

The weather, it seems, had discouraged their bid for freedom.

"It's too miserable and uncomfortable out there," they said.

The two prisoners—Thomas Robert Jackson, 20 charged with murder, and Elvert Cherry, charged with grand larceny—had hacked a hole through a concrete wall with an axe apparently handed to them through a window.

They were later taken to a jail at nearby Marlboro for safer keeping.

Wrong Mental Attitude Makes Chores Irksome

CHICAGO.—Conserving the homemaker's physical energy is just as important a household savaing as balancing vitamins against the food budget or stretching the clothing dollar.

According to research conducted on behalf of Ampolia, Ill., firm manufacturing a synthetic household starch which remains in clothes through many washings and doubles the wear of fabrics, there are several recommended ways to make sure that the housewife doesn't use up her energy unnecessarily in the course of her homemaking duties.

First, the wrong mental attitude toward household chores can make jobs in the home twice as hard as they need be, the report says. If this is her trouble, the overtired housewife should simplify her work by taking greater advantage of time-saving aids so that she can spend more time away from the home in relaxing entertainment.

Second, eliminate household nuisances and chores which clutter up a homemaker's day. Such "clutter" includes unessential furniture which by rights belongs in the attic instead of the living room, where it must be dusted; marketing haphazardly every day instead of only once or twice a week; listening to favorite radio shows without, at the same time, doing something useful which, as a job, preys on the mind, such as mending.

A third help is arranging separate starching days for things such as curtains, household linens and bedroom furniture flounces.

Burglary Suspect Burns As Robbed Safe Open

LOS ANGELES. — A burglary suspect here is convinced that crime not only doesn't pay, but it sometimes develops an ironical twist fit to make any self-respecting criminal blow his top.

Clifford L. Aubertin, 35, confessed bitterly to police that he carted off a 200-pound safe from an automobile accessory shop and garage.

First he lugged the bulky strongbox to his car. After driving to a secluded spot, he pushed the safe 200 yards up a hill and battered it open with a sledge hammer. Inside he found $3.20.

Officers who arrested Aubertin as he slept, resting from his labors, added the crowning blow:

The safe was unlocked all the time.

White House to Have Extra Guest Rooms Following Alteration

WASHINGTON.—There will be room for extra guests when President and Mrs. Harry S. Truman move back into the White House. This is slated to occur sometime in late 1951. There will also be room to store all those things that some people don't like to throw away.

When the repair job is completed, the mansion will have 77 rooms and a two story basement. The 150-year old structure is to be completely renovated inside. It now has only 69 rooms and no basement.

Engineers have disclosed that eight additional rooms would be built on the top, or fourth floor, probably for use by guests. This floor has been used for maid's quarters and guests who could not be accommodated in the limited bedroom space on the third floor. The third floor is used by the President and his family.

Presidents have been known on rare occasions to sleep in the "attic" to permit very important persons to occupy their bedrooms. Maj. Gen. Glen E. Edgerton, one of the engineers attached to the renovation commission, said the new White House should last 150 years or more. Congress has appropriated nearly 5.5 million dollars for the whole job.

The commission is now considering how to dispose of hundreds of pieces of scrap and other materials salvaged from the historic structure without running afoul of the Congressional decree that there be no "commercial exploitation."

General Edgerton said the commission might ask for legislation to defray the cost of distributing the souvenirs. Care must be taken to authenticate these, he explained, to avoid an avalanche of fakes being sold to the gullible.

Trio With Ideal Would Clean Up Liberty Statue

NEW YORK—Three men with an ideal, a formula and a lot of old rags have a big job cut out for themselves. They'd like to give a bath to the statue of liberty, an indelicate lady who has gone 63 years without any overall ablutions.

The three gentlemen with the project are dental technician Albert Baumgarten; jeweler Alexander Nagy, and chemist Wurt Wasserman. The latter is a native of Germany, the other two of Hungary, but all three are naturalized Americans—and that's where the ideal came in.

The trio decided they'd like to do something to show just how much they love America. It was Nagy who translated the desire into a natural project.

He'd been a sailor and, later, navigator on ships sailing all over the world. Each time he put into New York harbor he couldn't help seeing how dirty Miss Liberty was.

Statue Now Corroded

Actually, the statue, which was put up in 1886, hasn't been cleaned since. What was once a gleaming bronze is now corroded and green. Chemist Wasserman says France's between an eighth and a fourth of an inch of corrosion on the statue.

"Just think," says Baumgarten, "how nice the statue will look, bronze and shining!"

"I bet ships will be able to see it —or the light reflected from it—20 miles out when it's cleaned," says Nagy.

What made their plan to clean the statue a practical one is the formula, a concoction they put together to help them in their professions. Both Baumgarten and Nagy had felt the need for a better liquid polishing agent, for brightening Nagy's jewelry and the porcelain false teeth Baumgarten makes. Independently, they came to Wasserman and decided to pool their ideas.

They worked for four years, tried countless different formulas until they hit upon the right one. They've been using it on dentures and brooches, but they haven't tried to market it commercially.

Made Several Tr 38

The three have made several trips to the island, sounding out public opinion on the project. Only twice have they found opposition.

"A janitor or something in the statue," relates Baumgarten, "didn't like the idea. He said that if the corrosion was removed, the statue would crumble. That's nonsense, of course."

Another day, Wasserman talked to an elderly man, told him the plan.

"What?" said the astonished man, "You're going to take off all that nice green stuff?"

They explained that it will take them at least a month to do the job, that 250 gallons of their polish and $1,000 worth of equipment, which they'll donate. That's provided they get permission — and that must come from the department of interior's national park service, which has jurisdiction over the statue.

Movies Held to Blame For Many Broken Home

NEW YORK.—Husbands don't make love like the movie actors and that's what causes marriages.

That seems to be a rather bizarre statement, but Alfred E. Johns, who specializes in patching up broken homes, declared the movies are making his job a lot more difficult as it would be if the movies presented domestic life realistically.

Hollywood, he avers, is breaking up many marriages by making wives dissatisfied and giving husbands inferiority complexes.

"Husbands just don't make love the way screen heroes do," Johns said. "The average husband's life seem glamorous and real life wives are disappointed in what they find.

"Everybody's either rich in the movies, or gets rich. Wives start nagging their husbands if they don't get rich, too."

And wives are getting worse, instead of better, on the matrimonial front, Johns said. He's found a direct relatship between the number of divorces and the number of movies persons go to see.

The happiest married men, according to a survey, he said, are chemical engineers. They are homebodies who prefer unimaginative books to fabulous movies. Second on the list are ministers. Next, in order, come college professors, teachers and engineers.

Doctors are 11th on the list, bankers 12th and newspapermen 13th. At the bottom of the list are traveling salesmen and laborers. Johns said they see lots of movies and so do their wives.

"Movies and novels never give a realistic approach to marriage," he added. "They make life glamorous and glamour may be good for the eye, but it's very bad for the mind."

Two scientists report a way to make steel in 12 minutes.

Monroe Lodge No. 201, A. F. & A. M., meets the second Monday of every month in their hall at Appomattox, at 8:00 P. M. Visiting brothers welcome.

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Mental Expert Asserts Men Are Overworked

NEW YORK—Anyone who pursues his quest long enough is sure to find a psychologist somewhere that will support almost any belief that may be trotted out.

For instance, take that old wistful, masculine feeling that it's really the man of the family who does all the work, while mamma does the playing. Most men would say that it's no use to try to convince the "little woman" of that, and have long since given up the effort—but Dr. George Lawton, a specialist in the psychological problems of people who are getting along in years (as who isn't?) is convinced that such is the case.

With trepidation or apology he told a mixed audience at Cooper Union that "women in the middle income brackets tend to do less work than they should," and he added, really as a bolder, "and their husbands do more work than they should."

Should Share Work

Looking the mixed audience squarely in the eye—there is, in such cases, safety in numbers—the psychologist went on: "In such cases, a wife, in order to help her husband enjoy life more and perhaps even live longer, should help share her husband's work load and share his economic and mental burdens."

Man, the doctor (a man) said, is really not the stronger half of the species. In fact papa has more serious emotional illnesses, more physical illnesses and lives on the average eight years less than his wife. (Lawton also mentioned that men have a higher suicide, delinquency and alcoholism rate, but it might be just as well not to inject that into the argument.)

"Men, both in the realm of employment and in sexual performance, face more dramatic crisis indicative of aging," the psychologist went on. "The dividing line between the first and last half of life in men and women is very much sharper for the man."

Many Men Overworked

Declaring that it's more difficult for men to "age successfully," Dr. Lawton declared that as a male got older he had to "exchange speed and quantity for strategy, skill and quality."

"Many a tired businessman is tired because he is overworking as an escape from close emotional relationships with his wife and members of his family," he said.

"A good husband will provide most women with the greater part of the things that they need out of life for fulfillment, but a modern woman needs even more than her home, a husband and children in order to have a complete sense of purpose and intellectual stimulation.

"Every woman, regardless of her financial situation, needs a part time job, community activities and some creative outlet."

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By The Editor

Who is this: McCLEAN?

The Reader's Digest for March, 1950, just out, on Page 93 has an article headed: "Lee's Greatest Victory." A subtitle says: "It Came After Appomattox."

But consider this: in the first column of the article, one reads: "Lee ascended the steps of the McLean farmhouse. . . ."

McCLEAN!

The name is Wilmer McLEAN.

How would we call it a farmhouse.

The story of Wilmer McLean is one of the most interesting in all American history. But, by and large, he is a Forgotten Man. Have you ever seen a picture of Wilmer McLean? Do you know where he is buried? Do you know the full story of this fine, this human, this Syrian American? The answer to that one, most likely, is: No.

McCLEAN, indeed!

The Times-Virginian is working on an article on Wilmer McLean. We hope to have it ready soon, long before April 16, when the rebuilt McLean House will be dedicated.

Appomattox County Agent R. B. Hudgins will be in Washington tomorrow to testify before a Senate Committee on the Displaced Persons Program. He states that he feels the D. P. Program is not working out very too well. Of eleven D. P. families brought to Appomattox County, only four remain. That's a bad record. He feels that no additional D. P. families should be brought over.

Thirty-seven years ago this week Thomas A. Edison brewed the first movies at a small exhibition. The picture consisted of a few scenes from Shakespeare's Julius Caesar.

Calling all those with good memories: fifteen years ago this February, the verdict came in on one of America's most famous trials - yes, the celebrated case of Richard Bruno Hauptman, tried for the kidnapping and murder of the Lindbergh baby. Flemington, New Jersey, was the scene of the trial . . . I remember having subscribed to the Flemington weekly paper to see how a home town paper would cover such an event.

And it was alond about now, 17 years ago that the series of bank holidays began, later bringing on the closing of all banks in the nation. The bank holiday idea began out in Michigan, and spread and they all closed until a full count could be made of the misery of the depression. The national bank holiday did not come until March 6, 1933. It is better to recall such times in memory, than to relive them!

No matter how many hard-surfaced streets and roads we have, and no matter how much sidewalk and gravel we put down, if it keeps on raining long enough we have to deal with old slickus, stickus, red mud!

By the time a boy's pants is tall enough to reach the jar of preserves on the top pantry shelf, he changes his taste and wants candy and ice cream instead.

But at that, when we boys were bare-kobbed stockings up to our knees, held'em up with garters tucked under our knee-britches, our parents didn't have to give us a quarter or fifty cents every morning when we went to school, and money for entertainment at night. We did a pretty fair job of making our own money and of entertaining ourself.

Greene County sheriff is ousted by court jury.

Bing Crosby accepts invitation to come to Front Royal in late March or early April to be at dedication of new school stadium.

Israel expects to add 1,500,000 persons this year.

Coalition plans a ban on Reds in Australia.

U. S. has not sent supply of tanks to Germany, official says.

Census Taking Needs More Enumerators

Applicants for employment as enumerators and crew leaders for the 17th Decennial Census in Appomattox and Buckingham Counties and adjoining area will be required to pass oral and written tests to demonstrate their ability for the work, it is announced by Roland B. Metcalf, District Supervisor for the United States Bureau of the Census. The tests will indicate which applicants can best comprehend and follow the detailed and exacting written and oral instructions given them as they train for their assignment.

To date, Supervisor Roland B. Metcalf stated, about 22 applications have been received for the 33 enumerator positions to be filled in these counties. Among these are a considerable number of war veterans who will be given preference for appointment over non-veterans provided they meet other qualifications.

Applicants must be United States citizens of good health and character, have completed high school or have comparable experience, be between 21 and 65 years of age, preferably between 25 and 45, and be financially able to sustain themselves for four weeks before receiving their first salary check. Persons are ineligible for consideration if they draw Federal retirement pay (other than Social Security), are State or local government employees, law enforcement officers, officials of political organizations, individuals engaged in political activity or contemplating such activity during the census taking period. Close relatives will not be considered for employment in the same locality in this area.

REPORT ON PROGRESS OF MECHANIZATION ON FARMS

The 1950 Census of Agriculture to be taken in April, will indicate the progress of farm mechanization in Appomattox County. Facts obtained in the forthcoming census when compared with statistics from earlier censuses for the number of tractors, motor trucks, horses and mules on farms will indicate the changes in the mechanization of farms.

Each farm operator will be asked to report the number of horses and mules and number of tractors and motor trucks owned on January 1 of the year of the latest tractor model on his farm so that changes in the kind of work power on farms since 1945 can be determined in 1950.

The report for the 1920 Census of Agriculture shows that the number of horses and mules including colts on farms in the United States exceeded 25 million. By 1945, the number of horses and mules including colts had declined to less than 12 million. During this same period, tractors on farms increased from 246,000 in 1920 to 2,422,000 in 1945. Motor trucks on farms increased about 11 times to 1,490,000 in 1945.

Information about the use of electricity and other facilities on the farm will be collected and farmers in all parts of the nation will be asked to report whether their farms have electricity. If the farm is served by a power line, farmers are asked to give the amount of their last month's bill for electricity. They also will report on home lighting plants. Farmers will be asked if they have electrical water pumps, electric water heaters, home freezers, electric washing machines, electric chick brooders, or electric feed grinders.

Nearly 2.8 million farms in the nation reported electricity in the dwelling according to the 1945 Census of Agriculture. This was an increase of three-quarters of a million over the 1940 Census.

Committee told that Wallace solicited red votes.

A move for an agreement with Soviet is expected soon.

Oak Ridge cyclotron to be ready May 1st.

Present population of the U. S. is estimated at 150,694,000.

Some advances reported in protection against A bombs.

A. H. S. Loses In Basketball; Last Game Tues.

New London downed Appomattox basketball teams, 62 23 and 37—31. High scorers for A. H. S. girls were Barbara Johnson with 22 points and Bea Totty with 12. In the boys game, John Chandler tallied 13 points, and was followed in the scoring by Bill Jamerson and Sam Forrester.

Concord defeated Appomattox teams by scores of 47 - 16 and 47 - 35. Tuesday night at Concord High scorer for the girls was Bea Totty with 18 points, followed by Barbara Johnson with 8 points. The A. H. S. boys played the best game of the losing, losing by only one point. Bill Jamerson got 11 points, John Chandler 10, J. T. Guill and Sam Ferguson 6 each and I Ray Wingfield 4.

The teams journey to Altavista for their last game of the season Tuesday night.

Group Visits Appomattox During May

Richmond, Feb. 22.- Having shown travel officials from Maine to Florida something of Virginia's attractions last year, the Virginia Travel Council will usher in its 1950 tours by showing Virginians something of Virginia. The first of these tours will unveil a lot of the attractions of Tidewater Virginia and is designed especially for the people in the travel industry in the western half of the state. The second will reverse the procedure, carrying the Easterners to see the glories of the Piedmont, Southside and the great Southwest.

Itineraries for the tours were completed here this week by the intra-state cooperation committee of the Council, headed by Edward Brown, Jr., of Endless Caverns, New Market. It contemplates taking the travel interests to the Tidewater on May 1 through 4, with stops at the Peaks of Otter near Bedford, Appomattox, near Lynchburg; and Hampton Hill, the national shrine of Patrick Henry. The westerners will go to Danville and then turn east to inspect Buggs Island Dam, continuing just as far east as they can go, to the Maryland line on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

The westerners will inspect three of the Eastern Shore's famous saltwater fishing centers, Wachapreague, Chincoteague and Cape Charles, before going into Norfolk to see the world famed azalea gardens and then inspecting the Northern Neck fisheries, Stratford, Wakefield and nortward, Gunston Hall, Woodlawn and in Northern Virginia the Leesburg and Waterford restorations, Manassas National Battlefield Park, the shrines in Charlottesville, the Blue Ridge Parkway and the horse country of the Piedmont will be visited before the group returns to Roanoke via the Natural Bridge.

The Westward-Ho group will leave Richmond on May 17, also seeing Charlottesville, Swannanoa, Blue Ridge Parkway, the Warm Springs Valley, Roanoke's Star, the palisades along the New River and Mountain Lake, the Demonstration coal mine in Tazewell County, and the Natural Tunnel in Southwestern Virginia. It will return over U. S. 58, stopping to see Dan River Mills in Danville and the Buggs Island Dam in the Clarksville area.

Moses Bill Is Passed

A bill backed by State Senator Chas. T. Moses providing for a state appropriation of $5,000 toward furnishing one room at the rebuilt McLean House at Appomattox, passed yesterday in the State Senate.

Dedication of the McLean House is set for April 16.

Chesterfield County plans to raise teacher pay.

The Appomattox Lions Club will meet tonight at 6:45.

Red Cross Chapter Tells Of Activities

A. R. Harwood, chairman of the Appomattox County Chapter of the American Red Cross, this week issued the following statement of facts you should know about the Red Cross." The annual Red Cross roll call drive begins March 1.

"The National Red Cross is chartered by the Federal Covernment to carry on many activities.

"During the war: To render medical relief and contact services for and between all soldiers and their kin. In peace time: To serve veterans, service men and their dependents and meet calls in any type of disaster.

"Your local chapter retains a liberal share of the funds and has its local committee to render these same services in Appomattox County. We have one full time service agent known as Home Service Committee who last year gave assistance to 33 veterans and 76 men in service or their families, spending for hospital, basic maintenance, emergency calls to disabled veterans and their families the amount of $403.00 Travel, telephone, postage, etc. 112.54

Salary, Mrs. Willie S. Moses, (Home service worker) 300.00

Donation, family whose home burned, 100.00

$915.54.

"If you know of any case of distress, notify Mrs. Willie S. Moses, or chapter chairman and any such case will be investigated at once and proper assistance rendered.

"Included also is a nation-wide Blood Program, a plan which deserves liberal participation.

"March is our fund campaign period. All can help! Our goal is $1550. When your local committee makes an appeal to you, do your best. There are many appeals now but none more deserving than your American Red Cross."

Fire Warden Asks Support To Curb Fires

J. L. Torrence, Chief Fire Warden for Appomattox County, calls the attention of the public to the need for care in preventing forest fires, and urges compliance with the laws on burning brush and trash. During the period from March 1 to May 15, it is illegal to burn anything until after 4 P. M. This law is of great importance, during the windy spring season when fires are likely to get out of control and do great damage.

Appomattox County had a record of cooperation last year, and Mr. Torrence thanks the public for their help in preventing fires.

Fire Company On The Job

Prompt action by the Appomattox Fire Company yesterday helped to save the dwelling of Twyman Coleman, just east of town. A quick call to the firemen and a quick response contributed to preventive action to curb the blaze.

France held to be in need of arms to carry on Indo-China war.

Possibility of mine seizure being mentioned in Congress.

Business men rap tax-free status of some co-operatives.

Flag ceremony on Two Jimo marks anniversary.

High Point College installs new president.

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New Clubs Are Added in Ball League

The Skyline Baseball League has had a series of meetings, and is now composed of seven teams: Amherst, Altavista, Appomattox, Bedford, Buena Vista, Brookneal and Roanoke. The eighth team to complete a full league will be selected from among three other applicants: Gretna, Buckingham - Dillwyn, and Rocky Mount. There is likelihood that Buckingham - Dillwyn will be selected.

This means a more compact ball loop, and replaces the old 126-mile distance from Appomattox and Altavista to Clifton Forge and Covington. Local fans will welcome the return of Brookneal to the league after several years of absence.

Park Service Official Here This Week

Major Thomas J. Allen, Regional Director for Region One of the National Park Service, of Richmond, will be here this week to confer with H. A. Gurney and the local committee planning the dedication of the McLean House at Old Appomattox Court House April 16. Mr. Allen will discuss plans for the event with the committee.

Eastern Star Here Names New Officers

The Appomattox Eastern Star Chapter met Monday night of this week. The following officers for 1950 were elected:

Worthy Matron, Mrs. Gladys N. Lucado; Worthy Patron, James H. Lucado; Associate Matron, Mrs. Mildred C. Richardson; Associate Patron, Wilbur McBearmon; Secretary, Mrs. Ellen S. O'Brien; Treasurer, Mrs. Mae Holt.

U. D. C. Meets Tonight

The Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet tonight at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be held at the library.

Home Agent's Schedule

Home Demonstration Agent's schedule, Feb. 27 - March 4.

Monday, Feb. 27.- The Clover Hill Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Thomas Richardson. The demonstration on master mixes, will be given by Mrs. Frances Conner and Mrs. Shirley Torrence.

Tuesday, Feb. 28.- The Trinity Home Demonstration Club will meet at 10 A. M. with Mrs. Hiram Martin. Two demonstrations will be given: master mixes and Sunday dinners prepared ahead of time, by Mrs. R. H. Martin and Mrs. Dorothy Martin. The foods prepared will be served for lunch.

Wed., March 1.- The Glendale Home Demonstration Club will meet at 10 A. M. with Mrs. F. J. Nash, Sr. The demonstration will be selection of materials and patterns for making a "best dress." The demonstration will be given by Mrs. F. J. Nash, Jr. and Mrs. E. W. Marshall. Members will bring lunch.

Death total on Virginia highways this year reaches 127.

Big league baseball squads to begin spring training March 1.

Play safe—drive carefully.

Two Hours Of Debate on School Needs

Some 200 people attended a mass meeting at the court house yesterday to discuss school building needs of Appomattox County. The meeting was called by the Board of Supervisors, and L. Crawley, chairman of the board, presided.

The meeting was attended by a large group of Negro citizens, who expressed hopes that their school here would have first call at funds to be expended.

Division Superintendent J. A. Burke made a statement at the beginning of the meeting, as to the county's construction problems. He stated that during the next two years, Appomattox should receive $150,000 out of distribution of the $45,000,000 "Battle School Grants." He stated that the first item on the building schedule, was construction of Carver High School, the Negro school here.Something over $200,000 is estimated as the cost of this long-delayed project. A literary fund loan of $100,000 seemed a likely suggestion as to providing the additional money for the Carver building.

Mr. Burke cited some of the other school construction needs for the county. A long-range program has been estimated to cost up to some $700,000. State grants by 1954 may total $200,000, leaving a gap of about half a million dollars.

It was stated that up to $200,000 in loans might be available from the state literary fund, available at 2 per cent interest.

Mr. C. W. Smith, county clerk, discussed county finances and the requests for increased appropriations and stated that between four and five thousand dollars a year might be available to meet interest and principal payments on a loan, without resorting to higher taxes.

Quite a number of those present, both white and colored, joined in the discussion and there was a flurry of motions and appeals for elementary schools out in the county as well as the two big schools at Appomattox. At the end of the meeting, a majority of those present and voting supported a recommendation that the Supervisors proceed with a full school building program.

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on March 8.

Garden Club Program on Conservation

The Appomattox Garden Club will meet Monday, February 27, in the high school cafeteria. Mrs. Larry Young, Mrs. W. W. Burke and Mrs. John Grinels will be hostesses for the evening. The program is to be on Conservation. The Conservation Chairman, Mrs. Frank T. Carr, has secured Mr. George Dean, of the Virginia Forest Service, Charlottesville, as speaker. Members of the Lions Club, Parent - Teacher Association and interested citizens are invited to attend. Mr. Dean has been guest speaker in Appomattox on other occasions.

Garden Club members will exhibit in two classes: arrangements of dried material, and arrangements suggestive of February.

School Club To Have Dance

The Monogram Club of Appomattox High School will sponsor an old-fashioned square dance on Friday, March 3, at 8 P. M., in the school cafeteria. Admission will be fifty cents for adults and twenty-five for students. Everyone is invited to attend dressed in hill-billy style.

Music will be furnished by the A. H. S. string band. Proceeds will go to the athletic fund.

Rain curtails operations at strip coal mines in Virgina.